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 Hydraulic Fracturing In New York Faces Delay

Binghamton, NY (WBNG Binghamton) Permitting for hydraulic fracturing for natural gas drilling in New York State could be delayed longer because regulators may need to re-examine the process.

<http://www.wbng.com/news/local/Hydraulic-Fracking-In-New-York-Faces-Delay-172176441.html> - Rank 1

### Senators Air Serious Concerns Over EPA's Hydraulic Fracturing "Guidance"

Last week, five members of the U.S. Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works aimed a bipartisan message of frustration at the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and its desire to increase regulation of hydraulic fracturing. Senators James Inhofe, Lisa Murkowski, John Hoeven, Mary Landrieu, and Joe Manchin signed the letter addressed to EPA Administrator Jackson.

<http://www.forbes.com/sites/wlf/2012/10/02/senators-air-serious-concerns-over-epas-hydraulic-fracturing-guidance/?ss=business:energy> - Rank 2

### Fracking, time to make choices

MARION — With hydraulic fracturing likely to begin in Southern Illinois, a grassroots organization is trying to spread word about how it believes the process can damage and pollute the region and its people.

<http://thesouthern.com/news/local/1ee34d10-0dd2-11e2-8051-001a4bcf887a.html> - Rank 3

### NY court strikes down local drilling moratorium

A state judge invalidated Binghamton's two-year moratorium on natural gas drilling, marking the first time a local law that would ban or delay hydraulic fracturing in New York has been struck down.

<http://news.yahoo.com/ny-court-strikes-down-local-drilling-moratorium-181950431--finance.html> - Rank 4

### Hydraulic Fracturing Services in the US Industry Market Research Report Now Available from IBISWorld

The Hydraulic Fracturing Services industry grew strongly overall since 2007, despite taking a massive hit in 2009 during the recession. Growth is expected to continue, but not with the gusto from previous years, as environmental and health concerns will hinder revenue and profit. However, these concerns will not be enough to bring revenue back to negative numbers, so industry firms should ...

<http://www.prweb.com/releases/2012/9/prweb9954779.htm> - Rank 5

### DEC promises gas drilling health study; mixed reaction from environmentalists

ALBANY, NY — A press release with the headline, "Commissioner Joseph Martens Rejects Call For 'Independent' Health Study of High Volume Hydraulic Fracturing," from the commissioner of the NY Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) announced that "NYS Health Commissioner Nirav Shah has agreed to assess the department's health impact analysis," regarding gas drilling and hydraulic ...

<http://www.riverreporter.com/node/10167> - Rank 6

### South Africa OKs fracking for natural gas

South Africa has lifted a ban on the hydraulic fracturing, a controversial method for tapping natural gas reserves commonly known as "fracking," according to OilPrice.com. South Africa ranks among the top ten global owners of shale gas resources and some say fracking will help the country exploit these resources.

<http://www.csmonitor.com/Environment/Energy-Voices/2012/1002/South-Africa-OKs-fracking-for-natural-gas> - Rank 7

### Unusual Dallas Earthquakes Linked to Fracking, Expert Says

Three unusual earthquakes that shook a suburb west of Dallas over the weekend appear to be connected to the past disposal of

wastewater from local hydraulic fracturing operations, a geophysicist who has studied earthquakes in the region says.

<http://news.yahoo.com/unusual-dallas-earthquakes-linked-fracking-expert-says-181055288.html> - Rank 8

#### Penn State Faculty Snub of Fracking Study Ends Research

A natural-gas driller's group has canceled a Pennsylvania State University study of hydraulic fracturing after some faculty members balked at the project that had drawn criticism for being slanted toward industry.

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2012-10-03/penn-state-faculty-snub-of-fracking-study-ends-research.html> - Rank 9

#### NY drilling rules before Labor Day? Report projects limited drilling in 2013

An article by Albany Times Union columnist Fred Lebrun on August 5 said that the new rules regarding hydraulic fracturing (fracking) will be made public by Labor Day, and that plans by the Cuomo administration call for a limited number of wells, just 50, in 2013.

<http://www.riverreporter.com/node/9363> - Rank 11

#### Wendy Long accuses Kirsten Gillibrand of trying to kill fracking

Republican Senate candidate Wendy Long accused Democratic Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand on Wednesday of trying to kill hydraulic fracturing in New York.

<http://www.democratandchronicle.com/article/20121003/NEWS01/310030042/1002/rss01> - Rank 12

#### Lawmakers defend Christie fracking veto

Local legislators Wednesday defended Gov. Chris Christie's veto of a bill that would make New Jersey the first state to ban the disposal of wastewater from hydraulic fracturing.

<http://www.njherald.com/story/19731192/lawmakers-defend-christie-fracking-veto> - Rank 13

#### Cuomo: 'no pressure' on fracking decision

ALBANY, NY — New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo is reported as saying that there are no immediate plans for a decision on whether to allow hydraulic fracturing in New York. He also noted that whatever is decided, he expects lawsuits will further delay the process.

<http://www.riverreporter.com/node/9923> - Rank 14

#### Mayor Not Giving Up Fight Over Fracking Ban

Binghamton, NY (WBNG Binghamton) Binghamton was the biggest city in New York to have a moratorium in place against hydraulic fracturing.

<http://www.wbng.com/news/local/Binghamtons-Ban-On-Fracking-Overturned-In-State-Supreme-Court-172579011.html> - Rank 15

#### Wyoming Gov. Mead: Wait for analysis of Pavillion data

The state may have to examine its hydraulic fracturing rules if testing in the Pavillion area shows the oil and gas production technique contaminated groundwater there, Gov. Matt Mead said Tuesday.

<http://trib.com/business/energy/c4d9e11d-d6b0-5c9f-a474-d0be2464db27.html> - Rank 17

#### Federal judge dismisses fracking lawsuit

NEW YORK, NY — A federal judge threw out a lawsuit brought by the NY State Attorney General against the Delaware River Basin Commission (DRBC) and various federal agencies regarding hydraulic fracturing.

<http://www.riverreporter.com/node/10164> - Rank 18

#### As Delays Mount, Cuomo May Not Approve Fracking

Recent delays may signal that Gov. Andrew Cuomo will not approve hydraulic fracturing because of pressure from environmentalists, only a few months after he was set to sign off on the practice. [read more](#)

<http://cornellsun.com/blog/content/2012/10/03/delays-mount-cuomo-may-not-approve-fracking> - Rank 19

#### Court strikes down Binghamton's natural gas drilling moratorium

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<http://www.cnycentral.com/news/story.aspx?id=808441> - Rank 20

#### EPA Enforcement Developments, Hydraulic Fracturing Disclosures and Keystone XL Nonapproval Among Hot Topics at ABA ...

WASHINGTON, D.C., Oct. 2, 2012 — Environmental and energy regulators, academics, NGO lawyers, and private practitioners will discuss the latest developments on energy policies, the Environmental Protection Agency's Next Generation Compliance program and alternative energy practices during the American Bar Association Section of Environment, Energy and Resources fall meeting Oct. 10-13 at the ...

<http://www.abanow.org/2012/10/epa-enforcement-developments-hydraulic-fracturing-disclosures-and-keystone-xl-nonapproval-among-hot-topics-at-aba-summit-in-austin/> - Rank 21

#### Town of Callicoon gas drilling survey results

The results of a survey on gas drilling were tallied on September 7, with respondents saying by a two to one margin that they were opposed to gas drilling with hydraulic fracturing in the town.

<http://www.riverreporter.com/node/9869> - Rank 22

#### Eco-friendly Move by Chesapeake - Analyst Blog

US gas giant Chesapeake Energy Corporation ( CHK ) is planning to develop a 100% green mixture of fluids for fracturing oil and gas formations underground. In line with this move, it is experimenting with hydraulic-fracturing fluids prepared entirely from eco-friendly materials in wells.

<http://www.investopedia.com/stock-analysis/Zacks/Eco-friendlyMovebyChesapeake-AnalystBlog.aspx> - Rank 23

#### Chesapeake Testing 'Green' Fracking Fluids in Shale Wells

Chesapeake Energy Corp. (CHK) , the second- largest U.S. natural gas producer, is testing hydraulic- fracturing fluids composed

solely of environmentally-benign components in wells.

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2012-10-02/chesapeake-testing-green-fracking-fluids-in-u-s-shale-wells.html> - Rank 24

New York's DEC putting fracking health regulations under further review, drilling delayed until 2013

New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo stated this week that a proposed review of the health impact of hydraulic fracturing (fracking) drilling in his state will not delay any proposed activity there. Cuomo, according to a report from NorthCountryPublicRadio.org, told reporters ... Continue reading →

<http://www.newsinferno.com/health-concerns/new-yorks-dec-putting-fracking-health-regulations-under-further-review-drilling-delayed-until-2013/40910> - Rank 25

Cash-strapped states weigh tax policy on drilling

gas drilling tax policy oil drilling fracking hydraulic fracturing

<http://recordonline.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20121003/NEWS/121009901> - Rank 26

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<http://news.yahoo.com/unusual-dallas-earthquakes-likely-linked-fracking-expert-says-181055079.html> - Rank 27

Kremlin uneasy over US natural gas boom

The drilling process called hydraulic fracturing, or fracking, is shaking up world energy markets from Washington to Moscow to Beijing. Some predict what was once unthinkable: that the U.S. won't need to import natural gas in the near future, and that Russia could be the big loser.

<http://www.csmonitor.com/Environment/Latest-News-Wires/2012/1001/Kremlin-uneasy-over-US-natural-gas-boom> - Rank 28

GOP's Long blasts Gillibrand in new ad

Republican Senate candidate Wendy Long accused Democratic Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand on Wednesday of trying to kill hydraulic fracturing in New York.

<http://www.democratandchronicle.com/article/20121003/NEWS01/310030042/1001/RSS03> - Rank 29

ND geologist says quake southeast of Williston not related to fracking

WILLISTON, N.D. - A North Dakota geologist says an earthquake in the western oil patch is not connected to hydraulic fracturing.

<http://www.inforum.com/event/article/id/376243/> - Rank 30

Fracking in New York remains on hold

By Carrie Mihalcik / current.com / @CDMihalcik It is unclear whether New York's moratorium on hydraulic fracturing will be lifted before next year as regulators reopen rule-making for the natural gas drilling process. Officials were waiting for both environmental and health impact reviews before completing regulations, reports the Associated Press. Now the state's

Department of Environmental ...

[http://current.com/groups/news-blog/93917671\\_fracking-in-new-york-remains-on-hold.htm?xid=RSSfeed](http://current.com/groups/news-blog/93917671_fracking-in-new-york-remains-on-hold.htm?xid=RSSfeed) - Rank 31

Fracking documentary today

The screening of a documentary in Marion by an environmental organization hopes to inform residents about the effects of hydraulic fracturing on health, lifestyle and the economy.

<http://thesouthern.com/news/local/1fd2a942-0d13-11e2-9294-001a4bcf887a.html> - Rank 32

NY Court: Your Fracking Ban is Invalid

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[http://www.13wham.com/news/local/story/Binghamton-fracking-invalidated-moratorium/aZ-9nBkajU-cX\\_vYDSNmUg.csp?rss=102](http://www.13wham.com/news/local/story/Binghamton-fracking-invalidated-moratorium/aZ-9nBkajU-cX_vYDSNmUg.csp?rss=102) - Rank 33

Eco-friendly Move by Chesapeake

Chesapeake Energy Corporation is planning to develop a 100% green mixture of fluids for fracturing oil and gas formations underground.

<http://finance.yahoo.com/news/eco-friendly-move-chesapeake-132924111.html> - Rank 34

North Dakota geologist says quake not related to fracking

WILLISTON, N.D. (AP) - A North Dakota geologist says an earthquake in the western oil patch is not connected to hydraulic fracturing.

<http://www.wday.com/event/article/id/69567/> - Rank 35

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<http://www.valleynewslive.com/story/19722616/nd-geologist-says-quake-not-related-to-fracking> - Rank 36

Steffy: Energy questions for the debate

Steffy: Energy questions for the debate Houston Chronicle Copyright 2012 Houston Chronicle. All rights reserved. This material may not be published, broadcast, rewritten or redistributed. Updated 7:32 p.m., Tuesday, October 2, 2012 What will you do to encourage increased domestic drilling, from shale formations onshore to deepwater drilling in the Gulf of Mexico, Alaska and the East Coast ...

<http://www.chron.com/business/steffy/article/Steffy-Energy-questions-for-the-debate-3913874.php> - Rank 37

Cuomo: 'There is no step back' on hydrofracking

Gov. Andrew Cuomo on Tuesday again defended the state's decision to pause a decision on high-volume hydraulic fracturing, rejecting the notion that New York is backing away from the gas-drilling process.



<http://www.lohud.com/article/20121003/NEWS/310020097> - Rank 38

#### Ecosphere Announces Delivery of Two Ozonix EF80 Units to Hydrozonix

STUART, Fla. -- Ecosphere Technologies, Inc. , a diversified water engineering, technology licensing and environmental services company, today announced that the Company and its majority-owned subsidiary, ...

<http://finance.yahoo.com/news/ecosphere-announces-delivery-two-ozonix-135836143.html> - Rank 40

#### What rhymes with frack? Jim Womack

The North Carolina panel charged with preparing natural gas drilling regulations is already facing controversy. Last week, members of the N.C. Mining and Energy Commission tapped Jim Womack, a Lee County commissioner and outspoken advocate of hydraulic fracturing, as chairman of the new board.

<http://www.indyweek.com/indyweek/what-rhymes-with-frack-jim-womack/Content?oid=3162299> - Rank 41

#### Tainted wells might be linked to fracking in Pennsylvania

Methane in two Pennsylvania water wells has a chemical fingerprint that links it to natural gas produced by hydraulic fracturing, evidence that such drilling can pollute drinking water.

<http://www.dailyherald.com/article/20121002/business/710029703> - Rank 42

#### Cabot's Methodology Links Tainted Water Wells to Gas Fracking

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<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2012-10-02/cabot-s-methodology-links-tainted-water-wells-to-gas-fracking.html> - Rank 43

#### Movie to detail fracking

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<http://thesouthern.com/news/local/5d030210-0ce8-11e2-97d1-001a4bcf887a.html> - Rank 44

#### Fracking Flow forum to be hosted in Old Forge

A closing reception for the Fracking Flow mixed media exhibit in Old Forge will feature a fracking flow forum on Sunday, according to a news release.

<http://www.uticaod.com/news/x189741857/Fracking-Flow-forum-to-be-hosted-in-Old-Forge> - Rank 45

#### Worthington's I-1 Well On Track to Begin 24 Hour Production

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 4, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- Worthington Energy, Inc. (OTCBB: WGAS) ("Worthington" or the "Company"), an energy company engaged in the acquisition, exploration, development ...

<http://finance.yahoo.com/news/worthingtons-1-well-track-begin-140000634.html> - Rank 46

### Global Green Announces Appointment of General Manager

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA-- - Global Green Matrix Corporation is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Brian Klassen to General Manager of Global Green Matrix Corp. and Intercept Rentals. Mr. Klassen brings more than 14 years of experienced leadership in administrative, operational strategic management ...

<http://finance.yahoo.com/news/global-green-announces-appointment-general-001915956.html> - Rank 47

### Rulemaking will likely delay NY gas drilling plans

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